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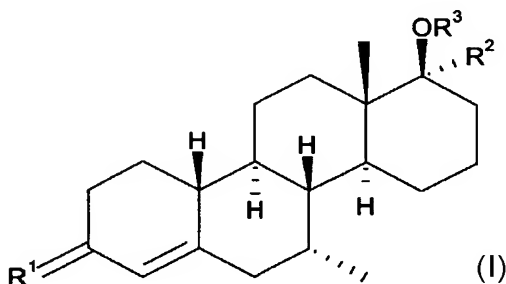
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(57) **Abstract:** This invention provides 19-nor-D-homosteroids, having a mixed androgenic/progestagenic profile, which are orally active, prevent trabecular bone mineral density (BMD) loss, and which lack liver toxicity, having a structure according to the formula (I) wherein, R¹ is O, or NOR, with R being hydrogen, (C₁₋₆)alkyl or (C₁₋₆)acyl, R² is methyl or ethyl, and R³ is hydrogen or (C₁₋₁₅)acyl.